

YOUTH DRUG USE

Previous efforts to reduce drug use have been moderately successful, but hard core drug users and drug-related violence have proven more difficult to stop. Progress has been made. The number of people who use drugs each month has fallen from 22.3 million in 1985 to 12.2 million in 1994, and drug-related homicides are down 25 percent. It is alarming, however, that drug use is increasing among young people. One in three high school seniors say they have used marijuana, and reports show this figure is rising. In southern Indiana, parents, teachers, and local officials tell me that youth drug use is spreading swiftly in small towns and rural areas.

Protecting our children from the scourge of drugs must be our top priority. Tough penalties for drug violations can help, but communities must redouble their efforts to keep kids from trying drugs in the first place. The Safe and Drug Free Schools Act provides federal funding to help local schools with drug prevention. In southern Indiana, federal COPS community policing grants have helped many law enforcement agencies expand the DARE drug education programs in schools. I oppose efforts in Congress to reduce or eliminate these programs. There are dozens of other efforts, and we should improve cooperation among parents, schools, private groups, and law enforcement to identify, punish, and treat repeat juvenile offenders.

ACTIONS

Congress should take several additional steps to improve our drug war strategy. First, we must streamline the more than 50 federal agencies involved in the drug war. Second, we should increase monitoring of legal "source chemicals", which are used to process raw drugs and to make "artificial drugs" such as methamphetamines. Third, we must ask our foreign allies to do their fair share to fight drugs. I have introduced legislation to impose trade sanctions on countries that fail to control narcotics production and trafficking. We should also strongly link foreign assistance with a country's drug control efforts. Fourth, Congress should commit the necessary resources to crack down on drug trafficking.

We must recognize, however, that domestic and international law enforcement can only do so much. As long as Americans are willing to spend billions of dollars on illegal drugs, the traffickers and pushers will find new ways to meet that demand. If parents, schools, churches, community groups, and public officials insist on personal responsibility and provide support to end the cycle of addiction, we may be able to keep the next generation of young people safe from the scourge of drugs.

TRIBUTE TO DR. TIMOTHY WINTERS

HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 1996

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a truly remarkable leader from my 50th Congressional District in San Diego. In the Reverend Dr. Timothy Winters, we find a man who has dedicated his life to improving the socio-economic and spiritual well-being of many of our neighborhoods and communities in San Diego.

In addition to being pastor of the Bayview Baptist Church, one of the largest churches in

San Diego, he also holds the position as president of the Baptist Ministers Union. While in this position, Dr. Winters has shown to be a very capable leader in guiding both his church and the ministerial organization to success and high achievement. He was instrumental in the building of the Martin Luther King Jr. School, complete with classrooms, meeting halls, and banquet facilities.

Dr. Winters is also an accomplished speaker, often called upon to speak on various problems and concerns of the African-American community and the city at large.

He lectures frequently on the matters of consumer awareness and debt-free living.

His workshops and finance seminars, which he often conducts from various churches, have helped to improve the lives of literally thousands of those who have heeded his advice and counsel.

Lately, Dr. Winters has been working with other community leaders as a part of a group to charter a new community credit union in the heart of my 50th Congressional District, another indication of his tireless dedication to the social and economic well-being of his—and my—community.

I am also proud of the many fair-lending agreements that Dr. Winters assisted in forging with the many banks, and other financial institutions in our city.

He has often been a great inspiration to me, and I look forward to working with Dr. Winters to raise the quality of life in our community. Please join me in celebrating the great contributions and achievements made to the constituents of the 50th Congressional District by Dr. Timothy Winters.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MIKE WARD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 1996

Mr. WARD. Mr. Speaker, on May 15, 1996, I was unavoidably detained and missed two rollcall votes. I would like the RECORD to show that had I been present for rollcall vote No. 173, on H.R. 3230, National Defense Authorization for Fiscal Year 1997, motion to recommit, I would have voted "yes." On rollcall vote No. 174, final passage, I would have voted "yes."

TRIBUTE TO HUGH JARVIS

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 1996

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Hugh Jarvis, a constituent, good friend, and dedicated educator who retired last February after serving for nearly 15 years as president of the Michigan Federation of Teachers and School Related Personnel.

At a time when all of us are working to improve educational opportunities for American families, the work of Hugh Jarvis is an inspiration. For 36 years, Hugh has dedicated himself to improving education in Macomb County and throughout Michigan. As a respected junior high school teacher, coach, and volunteer,

Hugh has worked both in and out of the classroom to achieve educational excellence for students, parents, and families in our community.

Hugh graduated from Michigan State University in 1960, and went on to get his masters degree from MSU in 1964. During that time, he started his career as a teacher in East Detroit—where I grew up—teaching junior high school social studies and working closely with students as coach for the track team.

Civic responsibility and involvement are not just ideas that Hugh Jarvis taught his students in the classroom, they are the values that he has lived by example. Quietly, without much fanfare, Hugh Jarvis worked for over three and a half decades as an activist for better education for students.

In 1985, Hugh's work in education was recognized when Michigan Governor Jim Blanchard appointed him to the board of control of Northern Michigan University—a prestigious position which allowed him to help direct NMU and its educational mission. Hugh has also volunteered his time and expertise as a member of the Michigan Public School Finance Commission.

In his distinguished career, Hugh's commitment to students and families has also led him to be a leader in the labor community, and to work for the rights of teachers and educators.

Actively involved in the Michigan Federation of Teachers and the Democratic Party since the early 1960's, Hugh was elected president of the MFT in 1981. During his tenure as president, Hugh distinguished himself as a person who worked tirelessly for better education for our children and better working conditions for the men and women who teach them.

Mr. Speaker, Hugh Jarvis' example is one that all of us should take. His quiet and unwavering commitment to education, and to giving of himself for students and families in Michigan are a testament to him and to his profession.

As we observe this milestone in Hugh Jarvis' distinguished career, I take great pride in calling him a personal friend, and in joining with my colleagues to express my deep thanks to him for his work.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997

SPEECH OF

HON. CARDISS COLLINS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 14, 1996

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3230) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1997, and for other purposes:

Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of the amendment offered by Congressman TORKILDSEN and Congresswoman HARMAN which moves to restore sanity, and bipartisan reality to the U.S. Congress. Last year, the radical GINGRICH-ARMEY Republicans prevailed in inserting their radicalism into the Defense Department authorization and